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SUBJ: CRASH OF AG AERO SERVICES MODEL 212 WITH UNCONFIRMED
NUMBER OF FATALITIES

S/NM FOR AM BANCE; AID/SER/INC FOR WAMPLER; DEA/EOI FOR
CUSACK; AID/GC FOR FINK; DEA/SAO FOR SWANK

1. SUMMARY: BELL HELICOPTER COMPANY (BHC) TECH SUPPORT
TEAM SUPERVISOR INFORMED NAU THEY RECEIVED A REPORT THAT
MODEL 212 XC-GUF CRASHED, EXPLODED, AND BURNED IN
VICINITY OF URUAPAN, STATE OF MICHOACAN, JULY 13,
DURING AN ERADICATION OPERATION MISSION. PRELIMINARY
AERIAL RECON REPORTS INDICATED THERE ARE NO SURVIVORS
VISIBLE AT THE CRASH SITE. END SUMMARY.

2. BHC FACILITY SUPERVISOR INFORMED NAU IMMEDIATELY UPON
HEARING FIRST REPORTS RELATED TO THE CRASH OF XC-GUF.
DR. GERTZ AND SENIOR STAFF HAD CESSNA CITATION ON STAND-
BY AS THEY PLANNED TO DEPART FOR URUAPAN THIS DATE.

3. CRASH SITE IS REPORTED TO BE IN AN INACCESSIBLE AREA;
HOWEVER, PRELIMINARY AERIAL RECON FLIGHTS
REPORT THAT MODEL 212 CRASHED, EXPLODED, AND
BURNED AS DEBRIS IS SCATTERED THROUGHOUT WITH NO
VISIBLE SIGNS OF SURVIVORS.

4. PILOT REPORTED TO BE CAPTAIN ROBERTO RAMIREZ
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PULIDO; MECHANIC IS RAFAEL AGUIRRE MARTINEZ;

THERE ARE REPORTS THAT THE AGENTE DE MINISTERIO
PUBLICO (LOCAL AG PROSECUTOR) WAS ON BOARD THE
AIRCRAFT PLUS UNCONFIRMED NUMBER OF MILITARY
TROOPS. BHC CRASH DAMAGE APPRAISAL
TEAM DEPARTING
FOR CRASH SITE WEDNESDAY MORNING. WILL ADVISE.
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